

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A method of managing power in a data processing system, comprising:  
monitoring a system parameter indicative of power consumption;  
responsive to determining that the parameter differs from a specified threshold, causing a guest of the system to ~~release~~ de-allocate a portion of system memory allocated by the guest by causing an operating system of the system to de-allocate said portion of system memory by invoking a balloon code device driver of said operating system to request memory, wherein said balloon code device driver requests said operating system to allocate memory to it; and reclaiming by a hypervisor the portion of system memory released by the guest requested by said balloon code device driver and, responsive thereto, reducing system memory power consumption.
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